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## A 31 year partnership: Canadian Cancer Society and Alex Campbell Conquer Cancer Classic

### About the Vancouver Island Lodge

The Vancouver Island Lodge is one of four lodges in the Canadian Cancer Society BC and Yukon division. The Lodge is open Monday at 8am to Friday at 3pm with staff available 24 hours during these times.

The Lodge has 20 shared rooms (two people per room) with ensuites, available four nights per week with three meals and two snacks per day. The user fee is \$52 + 5% GST, which is \$54.60 per person per night. In 2018, the Vancouver Island Lodge had 2,251 guest reservations from 60 different up-Island communities.

The Lodge's operating cost is roughly 1 million dollars annually. ~40% is covered by user fees and 40% is funded by the government. The remainder is covered by donor dollars.

### Your direct impact

The Alex Campbell Conquer Cancer Classic funds have allowed the Vancouver Island Lodge to purchase capital expenses such as new toilets, new dining room furniture, new comforters for beds, upgraded kitchen equipment and appliances, a shuttle van, and much more. We are deeply grateful for all you do each year to support Islanders and their families who are facing cancer and stay at our Lodge.

**This year, the funds will be designated toward a much-needed upgrade to the existing heating and cooling unit – the facility does not currently have air conditioning. The lack of air circulation and summer heat are safety risks and impact our guests' quality of life during their stay.**

### Client Testimonials

"Thank you for making the last 7 weeks comfortable and fun. You all do such an amazing job. If there had to be a best part of having 'cancer' it would be my stay at the Lodge." Nanaimo Cancer Survivor

"I have prostate cancer that has spread into my lymph nodes. 30% chance of being cured. I will be in the 30%! Since being radiated for 6 ½ weeks and hormone treatment, I am fortunate that I have no pain. At the Lodge we travelled the world and talked politics and world events. We laughed. Life is good." Up-Island Cancer Survivor

"The Lodge was a godsend. My wife and I had a friendly and comfortable place to stay during the 6 weeks I received daily radiation treatments." Port McNeill Cancer Survivor